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## Communists lose election votes

(R) -- The Italian Communist Party today lost a general election for the first time since 1948 and the polls remained Italy's biggest party. But the poll, which produced no clear winners, opening up the prospect of a crisis here with politicians bargaining for power, was reported in early returns by the party and indicated by two computer projections by institutes. The computer forecasts for the elections, held in the Chamber of Deputies, indicated that the Communist Party, largest, was losing between 4.9 and 2.9 per cent of the vote in the last general election in June, 1976. This meant the Communists would pick up about 31 per cent of the vote, while the Christian Democrats, who have ruled Italy for almost 40 years, would lose about 38 per cent, with a drop in support and 0.4 per cent.

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## Hussein, Ben Jedid start ME talks

(Agencies) -- His Majesty King Hussein arrived in Algiers today for a three-day official visit at the invitation of President Houari Boumedienne. He was welcomed at the airport by the Algerian government officials and heads of the Arab and Muslim communities in Algeria. After the reception, Ben Jedid accompanied King Hussein to the palace, where the monarch will be staying during his visit. The two leaders started this evening, JNA said. The king (JNA) said that during the visit, the two leaders will discuss ways of promoting Jordanian-Algerian relations and cooperation. JNA said. He is accompanied by Prime Minister Mudar Badran, the Court Sharif Abdul Hamid Sharaf, Court Minister, Minister of State for Foreign Affairs Hassan al-Husseini, military adviser, Lt. Gen. Muhammad Ibrahim, his departure from Amman. His Highness Crown Prince Hassan bin Talal and a royal decree was issued by the King appointing Dr. Abdul Salam Majali as acting Minister of Information. Adnan Abu Odeh was Minister of State for Foreign Affairs and acting Minister of State for Foreign Affairs and acting Minister of State for Foreign Affairs and acting Minister of State for Foreign Affairs.

Egypt, and to embark on the course of surrender, in spite of interference and pressure exerted on the country at the time. The daily said Jordan did not only reject the Camp David agreement, but also joined other Arab countries in opposing them actively. It also praised King Hussein's policies since the 1974 Arab summit in Rabat, where he recognized the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) as the sole representative of the Palestinian people. Al Moudjahid also published an interview with the Jordanian Charge d'Affaires in Algiers, who said Jordan totally rejected the Camp David agreements in which Jordan refused to take part. "Jordan is not against peace, but is against capitulation," he added.



His Majesty King Hussein swears in Crown Prince Hassan as regent during the monarch's absence abroad. Attending the ceremony are Prime Minister Mudar Badran and Information Minister Adnan Abu Odeh.

## Pierre Gemayel escapes attempt on his life

BEIRUT, June 4 (R) -- Lebanese right-wing leader Pierre Gemayel was wounded in a bomb blast today, right-wing Falangist Radio reported. The assassination attempt came three weeks after Mr. Gemayel's son Amin was wounded in an explosion.

Pierre Gemayel, 73, leads the Falangist Party, Lebanon's biggest right-wing organization. The party's radio station said Mr. Gemayel was travelling on the coastal road linking Beirut and the Mediterranean resort of Jounieh when a powerful, remote-controlled bomb exploded and set his car ablaze. Mr. Gemayel, who was driving, suffered superficial shrapnel wounds in the head and face. He was taken to a nearby hospital. Right-wing sources said 10 people travelling in the veteran politician's motorcade were wounded by the explosion, some 12 kilometres north of Beirut.

Falangist Radio said the bomb was placed in a car parked by the roadside and set off by remote control. In a statement issued from hospital, Mr. Gemayel urged everyone in Lebanon to exercise self-restraint and remain calm. Today's incident appeared to be a carbocopy of the May 13 bomb blast which slightly injured Pierre Gemayel's elder son, Amin, 38, as he was travelling on a mountain road north-east of Beirut. No arrests were made following the bomb explosion and there was no immediate indication as to who was responsible for today's blast.

## Armed Palestine speedboat sunk by Israeli naval craft

TEL AVIV, June 4 (Agencies) -- A Palestinian speedboat racing to launch a rocket attack on Israel was blasted out of the water by Israel

naval craft during the night, an official spokesman claimed today. All members of the commando squad were apparently drowned, he said.

Israeli patrol craft intercepted the speedboat as it approached the seaside resort of Ras Naqura, near the Lebanon border. Moving in close, the Israelis ordered the speedboat to stop. It started to move off at a rate too fast for the patrol boats to follow and the Israelis opened fire. Amid the debris, the Israelis recovered a body, and a Katyusha rocket launcher mounted on a raft made from two empty barrels, naval sources said. Naval sources said the Palestinians seemingly planned to bombard the shore with rockets and then head back to a base in Lebanon.

For the Palestinians it was a novel kind of mission. The Russian-made Katyusha rockets are frequently used to bombard Israeli border settlements. But a speedboat raid would bring more Israeli targets within the Katyushas' 20-kilometre range. There seemed little intention of putting commandos ashore and seizing hostages as on previous raids which have proved costly in Palestinian manpower.

Shortly before the seaborne clash was announced, Israeli occupation forces staged a pre-dawn raid on Arab houses which had been used to harbour Palestinian commandos on the West Bank of Jordan. One house was demolished and three were sealed up, an announcement said.

The houses had been used by a Palestinian squad -- three girls and a man -- accused of staging bomb attacks which killed four people and wounded dozens of others during the past year, the announcement said. Destroying or sealing up houses after eviction of the families living in them is a common punishment

in Israeli-occupied territory for Arabs giving shelter to commandos.

The house that was destroyed stood in the village of Jania, near Ramallah. It had been used by Miss Ataf Ahmad Yusef, a 22-year-old schoolteacher arrested last week while trying to plant a bomb in a Jerusalem bus depot, the announcement said.

It claimed Miss Yusef and the three others all belonged to the Fatah commando organisation and had all been trained in Syria. It said the two girls had been captured but the man was still at large. All were schoolteachers in their twenties.

Two of the houses sealed up were in Ramallah and one was in the nearby town of Al Bith. Last night, Palestinian commandos said they wounded many Israelis with time bombs in occupied Jerusalem yesterday.

The Palestine News Agency (Wafa) quoted a commando military spokesman as saying the commandos planted the bombs in a commercial store in the city centre.

The bombs wounded many Israelis, wrecked the commercial store and destroyed its contents and damaged a number of cars parked in front of it, Wafa added.

Israeli police said three people were slightly injured by the bomb blast which destroyed a central Jerusalem book shop. The Palestinian spokesman said the operation was carried out by a unit named after Abu Hassan, a codename for Ali Hassan Salameh, who was in charge of Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat's personal security and was killed by four of his aides on Jan. 22 by a radio-controlled bomb in Beirut.

## 'Revolutionary forces' seize power in Ghana

June 4 -- A few had been imposed from 2000 to 0600 local time (same GMT), but that all essential services were permitted to function normally. The radio broadcast said several key installations, including army headquarters, were "under the control of the revolutionary forces." It said all members of the ousted supreme military council, led since last July by Gen. Fred Akuffo, should report to Accra air force station "or face the consequences."

It was flight Lt. Rawlings' second attempt at seizing power in less than three weeks, and the radio's announcement of his success followed a day of confusion in which at one point the coup attempt was said to have been crushed.

The radio said the presidential and parliamentary elections scheduled for June 18 to return Ghana to civilian rule on July 1 after seven years of military government would go ahead as planned.

indicated that rebels using aircraft were engaged in a fierce battle for the main broadcasting station in Ghana's capital. Shooting was still going on and the situation was fluid, they added.

They said they did not know if the apparent coup attempt was successful. One official said that after the rebels initially captured the station, it was apparently retaken by government forces and then seized again by the rebels. He said he had no further details.

## Eritreans report heavy fighting with Ethiopians

BEIRUT, June 4 (R) -- Secessionist guerrillas today reported fierce fighting in the sun-baked western savannahs of Eritrea, theatre of Africa's longest war.

A spokesman for the Eritrean Liberation Front-Revolutionary Council (ELF-RC), one of the two major groups fighting for Eritrean independence from Ethiopia, said that guerrilla units and Ethiopian troops, backed by tanks and artillery, were engaged in heavy fighting near the Sudanese frontier.

He said the latest battle of the 18-year war erupted yesterday, when the Ethiopians moved large contingents out of their garrison in Tessenet, 20 kilometres from the

border with the Sudan.

The Ethiopian operation was aimed at recapturing Sabderat, Tamarat and Galuj, a string of villages overrun by guerrilla forces last month, according to the spokesman.

The Soviet-backed Ethiopian government last year launched a massive offensive which drove the Eritreans out of major cities of the province. But they still claim control of most of the countryside and say they have recovered from the shock of last year's defeats.

According to the ELF-RC, at least 200 Ethiopians were killed and 150 wounded in fighting for the village of Galuj on May 20. "Sabderat and Tamarat fell to us last Thursday. Now a large force of Ethiopians backed by tanks, armoured personnel carriers and heavy artillery is trying to take them back."

## Local Briefs

(R) -- A Japanese oil firm drilling in Egypt said it found oil in a test well on the Red Sea coast. The firm, Egyptian Petroleum Development Corporation, is prospecting in the West Bakara area since 1975. It said the fifth of six test wells was producing oil at a depth of 2,300 metres. More time to determine whether the strike was commercial. The agreement with Egypt, 85 of any oil in Petroleum Organisation and 15 per cent to

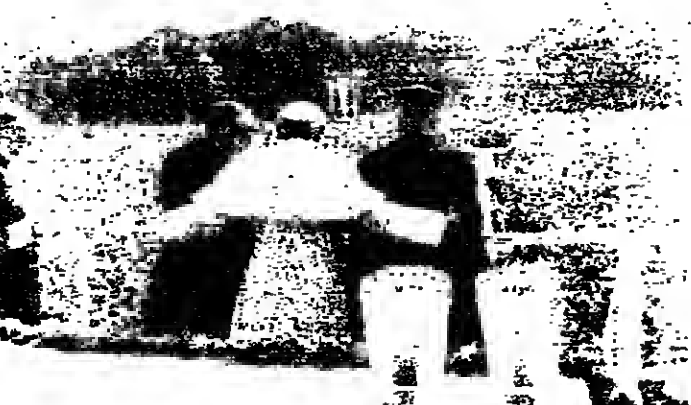
(R) -- President Zia Ur Rahman of Bangladesh after a three-day state visit during which he signed agreements for economic and cultural cooperation between the two countries. The visit called for joint development projects and economic experts. The cultural agreement called for scholarships, professors and educational pro-

(AP) -- The Sultanate of Oman today renewed Egyptian-Israeli peace treaty and defended its ties from Arab opponents of the pact. "Oman continues to support all efforts of Arab countries to achieve a just and durable solution to the problem, regardless of whether these efforts have been made individually or collectively," Omani Foreign Minister Yousef Alawi told a news conference in this city. He said Oman supported President Sadat's initiative and the Camp David accords, regarded as negative on the whole, he added. He also welcomed the return of Jerusalem to Arab administration and the withdrawal of Israel from all occupied Arab territories, including the

--Fifteen people in the Israeli-occupied Gaza Strip today were killed in a suicide bombing, a Qatari newspaper said today. Al Arah, in source, said: "The leadership of the PLO decided last Thursday to liquidate 15 agents in the list was Sheikh Hashem Khazendar, leader of Gaza, who was stabbed to death on Popular Front for the Liberation of Palestine responsibility for the killing. It said the mayor Shawa, would be next. According to inde- vast majority of people in Gaza and the West self-rule plans, which they see as no better situation.

(R) -- Kuwaiti Foreign Minister Sheikh Sabah al-Jaber conferred here today with the Palestinian (PLO) foreign affairs chief, Mr. Farouk Kaddumi. Sources said the talks dealt with the situation in Arab developments. Mr. Kaddumi arrived ago.

(R) -- The Emir of Bahrain, Sheikh Issa Bin Khalifa, left here tonight on a three-day state visit to Jordan. A mutual cooperation agreement is expected to be signed, further strengthening the ties between the two national financial markets. The Emir will be accompanied by Foreign Minister Sheikh Mohammed bin Khalifa, Finance and National Economy Minister Karim al-Khalifa as well as leading Bahraini



Pope John Paul II, his arms around the Primate of Poland, Stefan Cardinal Wyszyński (right) and the Bishop of Cracow, Stanislaw Zdzislaw, as he faces a huge crowd of the faithful Monday outside the monastery where the Pontiff held a pontifical mass on the third day of his visit to Poland. (AP wirephoto)

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Al Dustour says that while not wishing to detract from the major role played by the League in fostering Arab cooperation and resolving Arab conflicts, yet it has to be said that the League has so far been incapable of meeting Arab aspirations toward unity.

**Please contact tel. 36742.**

Miss Odeh spoke in detail about

The sources added that cars with improper stickers on them and cars violating generally acceptable standards will be confiscated. The source also added that inspected cars will be issued special stickers to distinguish them from those yet to be inspected.

A ceramic exhibition by Mohammad Al Sayed is open during regular hours at the Art Gallery of the Ministry of Culture and Youth.

**Team seeks French aid for telecoms**

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## Team seeks French aid for telecoms

Harrell became the new director of the Agency for International Development (USAID) office in Jordan, succeeding Mr. Christopher Russell, who has returned to Washington on assignment.

Mr. Harrell has been in Jordan since September, 1977, serving as deputy USAID director. During this period he has been involved in the supervision and implementation of a variety of major development projects growing out of U.S.-Jordanian development cooperation. Mr. Harrell holds a PhD in economics from Columbia University, with prior degrees in chemistry and Japanese studies. Prior to joining the USAID mission in Amman, Mr. Harrell was director of the planning and analysis staff of the State Department in Washington. He had previously served with USAID Thailand.

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## Amman Players to stage 'White Sheep of the Family'

Amman Times

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following the father number of this "pro- daughter heather he s replies: s Horlicks " He then anything which Pat arling." In

response to which James adds the philosophical comment: "Nothing like a good brass section for distracting attention. Seems to stun them."

The even pace of life which the family is used to is not only shaken by the news that Peter is going straight but also the discovery that his bride to be, Angela, is none other than the daughter of a Scotland Yard commissioner. Rather awkwardly for the family, the commissioner is an unsuspecting friend of James'. How will the two families mix?

In addition to this, the production has recently witnessed the mysterious arrival in the area of an unknown burglar whose skill and peculiar habit of returning the goods he steals has the regulars in the business baffled.

Finally, papa James puts the

pieces together and solves the puzzle of the mysterious robberies, at the same time putting an end to the worries of his family and fellows and relieving his son of having to play the difficult role of a "straight" bank clerk. (In his heart, Peter had never wanted to leave his family and real calling.)

The play ends, then, on a happy note, with James exclaiming to the gathered party, "Our white sheep is back in the fold, none the worse for his lapse into virtue, and together we can now continue to make our modest, but not incons- siderable contribution to national recovery. Money will be more plentiful in the country, thanks to Peter, and the luxury trades will be busier than ever. As a result of our activities, our family is united, our consciences are clear, and our future is assured. This would be a

happier and a better country if everyone could say as much. (He raises his glass.) I give you -- Private Enterprise."

As is their custom, the Amman Players are putting on the play for the benefit of a charity, this time the Save the Children Fund. All the actors are amateurs but the group is gaining experience through its periodic performances in Amman. The players are directed by the enthusiastic Mrs. Katty Ephgrave, who has extensive experience in forming and directing amateur companies.

In "The White Sheep of the Family", the part of the father, James Winter, is played by Haya Aris. Centre director Nabih Sawalha, Alice, James' wife by Judy Al Fakhr; their son, Peter, by Fadi Midanat; their daughter, Janet, by Hana Al Fakhr; the police commissioner by Usama Barghouti; his daughter, Angela, by Laila Kirk; the vicar by Arch Danson; and Mr. Sam Jackson (tellow professional) by Michael Simm.

"The White Sheep of the Family" is the sixth play the group has put on, the previous one being "Candied Peel", which they produced in March of this year. The current production will be performed on four consecutive nights, beginning Wednesday, June 6, at the Jordan Theatre in Jabal Luwaidh. Tickets are JD 1 and can be purchased from all the main supermarkets, the Haya Arts Centre and Mrs. Ephgrave (telephone 65657). Performances start at 8:30 p.m.

AMMAN PLAYERS Present WHITE SHEEP of the FAMILY

A poster advertising "The White Sheep of the Family." The Amman Players' logo in the upper righthand corner is made up of two masks, one representing comedy, the other tragedy.

### AMMAN STOCK EXCHANGE REPORT

Name of Company	Par Value	Number Traded	High	Low	Closing Price
Lime and Silicate Bricks	JD 5,000	1000	4,390	4,390	4,390
Jordan Bank	JD 5,000	125	7,700	7,700	7,700
Jordan Gulf Bank	JD 1,000	1100	1,010	1,010	1,010
Jordan Kuwait Bank	JD 1,000	1175	1,510	1,510	1,510
Industrial Development Bank	JD 1,000	100	1,250	1,250	1,250
Dar Al Dawa Investment	JD 1,000	600	3,220	3,180	3,220
Industrial Commercial and Agricultural Co.	JD 1,000	906	2,560	2,560	2,560
Arab Pharmaceutical Co.	JD 5,000	16	22,800	22,800	22,800
Arab Aluminium Co.	JD 1,000	2450	0,900	0,900	0,900
Jordan Electricity Co.	JD 1,000	1222	1,410	1,410	1,410
Jordan Warsted Mills Co.	JD 1,000	572	1,700	1,600	1,700
Jordan-Gement Factories	JD 1,000	341	15,450	15,400	15,450
General Mining	JD 10,000	500	0,950	0,950	0,950
Jordan Ceramics Industries	JD 1,000	150	0,810	0,810	0,810
Jordan Glass Factories	JD 1,000	100	0,650	0,650	0,650
Jordan Spinning and Weaving Co.	JD 1,000	2874	0,650	0,650	0,650
Jordan Refinery	JD 5,000	484	6,780	6,740	6,770
Jordan Eagle Insurance Co.	JD 10,000	272	11,000	11,000	11,000

Total volume traded, Monday, June 4: JD 31,913

Total number of shares traded: 13,987

#### Government Development Bonds

Year of Maturity	Par Value	Number Traded	Volume Traded	High	Low
1980	JD 5,000	50	255	5,100	5,100
1982	JD 5,000	100	535	5,350	5,350
1988	JD 10,000	229	2438	10,650	10,650

Total volume traded: JD 3,228

Total number of bonds traded: 379

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## King opens 2nd MECACON

By Terry McBryde  
Special to the Jordan Times

AMMAN, June 4 --His Majesty King Hussein launched the second Middle East Civil Aviation Conference (MECACON '79) here today with a speech emphasizing the three-day meeting's theme of safety and efficiency in aviation.

King Hussein made a point which seemed to guide the initial discussions: "We see the need to integrate the use of the common airspace by the military and civil users with the least reservations and restrictions compatible with security."

Comments focused on the need for coordination in civilian-military airspace allocation in order to allow for the expansion of airline routes throughout the region. Most Middle East countries lack the strong coordination exercised by such agencies as the U.S. Federal Aviation Administration.

King Hussein also urged the creation of a regional fund for promoting aviation safety measures in the Mideast. MECACON moderator Najeeb Halaby then

suggested that such a common fund could achieve this by the use of three satellites to improve civil aviation communications. Mr. Halaby is chairman of Arab Air Services Corporation.

Another speaker told the conference that the rapid growth in aviation due to the oil boom is almost over. Assistant Secretary General of the Arab Air Carriers Organisation Amer Sharif said that growth would slow down somewhat with the introduction of superhighways joining Jordan, Syria, Lebanon, Iraq and the Gulf states.

There are more than 200 participants in the conference, including heads of international aviation organizations, government officials, airline executives and industry leaders from over 20 countries.

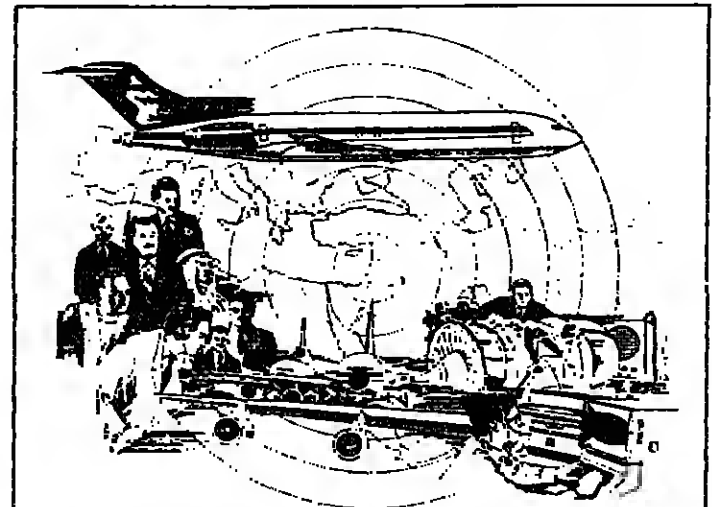
Conference Secretary Hank Boerner told the Jordan Times that MECACON will be held in Amman every odd year and that next year's meeting will be in Bahrain.

He said that invitations had been sent by the coordinators, Arab Air Services and the co-hosts, Civil Aviation Director General Sharif Ghazal Rakan Nasser and Mr. Ali Ghandour, Chairman of Alfa, the Royal Jordanian Airline. Messages were sent by King Hussein to heads of state encouraging participation.

MECACON was conceived by King Hussein, Mr. Ghandour and Mr. Halaby and the first conference was held in Amman in 1977.

Speakers began presenting technical papers today; this will continue tomorrow. On Wednesday the conference will divide into three panels, each participant choosing the panel he prefers. The three subjects are air traffic control, flight pilot problems, and airport operations and development.

### MECACON '79



The Second Middle East Civil Aviation Conference

### TODAY'S WEATHER

The weather will be fair with northerly moderate winds. In Amman, there will be heavy conditions with northerly moderate winds and calm seas

	Overnight	Daytime
Amman	10	27
Amman	23	35
Deserts	13	30
Jordan Valley	20	32

### LOCAL EXCHANGE RATES

U.S. dollar	306.00/308.00
U.K. Sterling	655.00/659.00
West German Mark	159.70/160.70
Swiss franc	176.70/177.50
French franc	69.10/69.50
Italian lire	
(for every 100)	35.80/36.00
Japanese yen	
(for every 100)	138.40/139.20
Dutch guilder	145.60/146.50
Swedish crown	69.70/70.10



Accompanying His Majesty King Hussein into the MECACON conference at the Holiday Inn on Monday are: Minister of Transportation Ali Suheimat (right), Alfa Chairman Ali Ghandour (second from left) and conference moderator Najeeb Halaby (left). (Photo by Terry McBryde)

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### Borg, Gerulaitis advance in French Open

PARIS, June 4 (AP)—Bjorn Borg and Vitas Gerulaitis played devastating tennis yesterday and shattered the dreams of two highly rated youngsters in the French Open Championships. Borg, favorite for the title and the first prize of \$49,000, tamed Gilles Moretton, a big, strong 21-year-old Frenchman, 7-5, 6-4, 6-2. Gerulaitis, fresh from winning the Italian Open, ran like a deer round the centre court of the Roland Gargos Stadium to subdue Ivan Lendl, 19-year-old budding Czech star, 6-2, 6-1, 6-3. Borg and Gerulaitis moved into the quarter-finals of the tournament, the world's most prestigious event on slow clay.

### Depailler crashes while hang gliding

CLERMONT-FERRAND, France, June 4 (R)—French Ligier team Grand Prix driver Patrick Depailler will probably not race again this season after badly injuring himself while hang gliding near here yesterday. Depailler, 34, crashed into rocks and was taken to hospital with a broken left leg and right ankle after a change of wind pushed him towards a rocky cliff off the slopes of the Puy de Dome mountain near here. Friends said he hit the cliff and fell on rocks, from where he was rescued by a helicopter. Depailler won the Spanish Grand Prix in April and was joint third in this year's Drivers Championship race with 20 points.

### Asian Track and Field Meet

TOKYO, June 4, (R)—Japan won eight more gold medals in the Asian Track and Field meeting here yesterday, bringing their final tally in the four-day event to 20, more than half the total number on offer. The Japanese also picked up 18 silver medals and 21 bronzes in the 38 events, with the Chinese runners-up in the medals table with seven gold, eight silver and three bronze. The Chinese athletes, however, set four Asian records against Japan's two in the meeting. Other gold medal winners were Iraq with three, India, South Korea and North Korea with two each and Thailand and Kuwait with one.

### Pintor upsets bantamweight champ

LAS VEGAS, June 4, (R)—Lupe Pintor bounced back from a fourth round knockdown to win the World Boxing Council (WBC) bantamweight title yesterday with an upset split points decision over champion Carlos Zarate. Pintor, 24, from Mexico City, was the 2-1 underdog at the start of the fight against his one-time sparring partner who was defending the title for the 10th time since winning it in 1976.



## Baseball Standings

### National League

EAST	W	L	Pct.	GB
Montreal	28	17	.609	—
St. Louis	27	19	.587	1
Philadelphia	28	23	.549	2½
Pittsburgh	25	22	.532	3½
Chicago	21	25	.457	7½
New York	18	29	.383	10½

### WEST

	W	L	Pct.	GB
Houston	32	23	.582	—
Cincinnati	29	25	.538	1½
San Francisco	26	20	.481	5½
Los Angeles	26	29	.473	6
San Diego	25	31	.446	7½
Atlanta	19	33	.365	12½

### Sunday's games

Pittsburgh 7, San Diego 0  
Philadelphia 6-2, Cincinnati 4-12  
Chicago 2, San Francisco 1  
St. Louis 6, Los Angeles 10  
New York 9, Atlanta 4  
Houston 5, Montreal 4

### American League

EAST	W	L	Pct.	GB
Baltimore	31	20	.608	—
Boston	29	20	.592	1
New York	28	24	.538	3½
Milwaukee	29	25	.537	3½
Detroit	24	22	.522	4½
Cleveland	23	27	.460	7½
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Texas	30	21	.588	—
California	31	22	.585	—
Kansas City	30	22	.577	½
Minnesota	28	21	.571	1
Chicago	25	26	.490	5
Seattle	20	34	.370	11½
Oakland	18	35	.340	13

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Boston 8, Minnesota 2  
Kansas City 6, Milwaukee 1  
Cleveland 5, California 3  
Detroit 2, Oakland 0  
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In other boxing action in Seoul, South Korea's Kim Sang-Hy overcame an 11th-round knockdown to retain his World Boxing Council (WBC) super lightweight crown by outpointing Ed Guiseppe of Trinidad and Tobago in a grueling 15-round main event last night. Guiseppe, the WBC's ninth-ranked challenger and central American and Caribbean champion, was also floored twice, in the second and the final rounds.

### Argentina beats Scotland in friendly football

GLASGOW, Scotland, June 4 (R)—World soccer champion Argentina destroyed Scotland 3-1 at Hampden Park here Saturday, with a breath-taking display of attacking football. Argentina's second win on their European tour and saw it re-capture the form of last year's world cup triumph in America. Leopoldo Lique scored twice and 18-year-old Di Maradona added a brilliant third—his first goal for Argentina. Scotland, who a year ago suffered a humiliating 3-1 World Cup defeat against Peru, stormed forward in the opening minutes but the Scots had no answer to the stunning skills of Maradona.

### World Cup Gymnastics

TOKYO, June 4 (R)—Russian gymnasts Alexandra Ditiagina and Stella Zakharova won the mens and womens individual titles respectively at the 1979 Gymnastics World Cup here yesterday. Ditiagina, a 21-year-old student and winner of last year's World Cup mens individual overall event, retained his crown in a six-exercise total of 57.65 points, a 0.1 points edge over runner-up Shigeru Kasamatsu of Japan. Third was Svetlana Deltcheva of Bulgaria with 57.50. Upcoming Zakharova, 15, collected 39.30 points after the women's four exercises performed Saturday and Sunday to beat by 0.15 points competitor Nellie and Rumanian Emilia Eberle into joint second spot.

### English Cricket League

LONDON, June 4 (R)—Yorkshire went to the top of the English Cricket League Sunday with a comfortable six-wicket win over Surrey at Hull yesterday. Middlesex ended Gloucestershire at the head of the table with a four-wicket triumph at Leicester. Although Graham Roope made 62 not out, Yorkshire's equal bowling restricted Surrey to 128 for three in their allotted overs. John Hampshire scored 48 as Yorkshire reached 3 target with ease. England's World Cup trio of Mike Gatting, Edmonds and John Emburey played major roles in the middle success.

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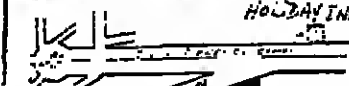
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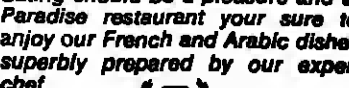
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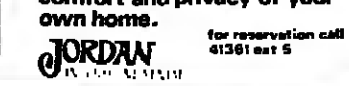
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# Vorster resigns as S. Africa's president

CAPE TOWN, June 4 (R) — South African President John Vorster resigned today, Prime Minister Pieter Botha announced in parliament. Mr. Botha was speaking at the same time that he tabled a report on the country's "slush funds" scandal which severely criticised Mr. Vorster for covering up the affair when he was premier.

Mr. Vorster, 63, was inaugurated as president last October after quitting the premiership on grounds of ill-health. He succeeded the late Dr. Nicolaas Diederichs.

Mr. Vorster was cleared of involvement in the scandal by a report by the judicial commission last December.

But since then he has been the subject of increasing allegations, and the commission said in its latest report issued today that it now had to amend its findings.

The commission—headed by Judge Rudolf Erasmus—said that by covering up misappropriations of millions of rands (dollars) in government money by the government's former Information Department, Mr. Vorster had to share responsibility for the irregular actions of ex-minister of information Connie Mulder.

Mr. Mulder was ousted from the cabinet, parliament and the ruling National Party as a result of the scandal.

Press speculation that Mr. Vorster was about to step down mounted as the date of the report's issue drew near. The opposition had already mounted an unsuccessful attempt to impeach him.

Mr. Botha told the House of Assembly that the cabinet accepted the Erasmus Commission's deductions and decisions but said its findings "do not in any way reflect upon the honour and integrity of Mr. Vorster."

He said Mr. Vorster had fulfilled his duties "under very trying circumstances and under great pressure during the last year of his premiership due to his state of health."

Mr. Botha added that Mr. Vorster had wanted to resign as prime minister in 1977 but his colleagues had persuaded him not to do so in the national interest.

He said Mr. Vorster would be succeeded temporarily by Marais Viljoen, president of the Senate. In the speculation over Mr. Vorster's retirement, Transport Minister Lourens Muller has been widely tipped as Mr. Vorster's eventual successor.

Mr. Botha said the appointment of the Erasmus Commission and another investigation into the Information Department's secret activities underlined the government's willingness to identify, eliminate and prevent undesirable practices in administration.

In its report, the Erasmus Commission said: "For more than a year, Vorster, together with Dr. Mulder, kept his knowledge of irregularities in the administration of the country from his cabinet col-



President Vorster

leagues, at a time when the press and the opposition were already making serious insinuations and accusations of maladministration against the government.

"During this period every innocent member of the cabinet therefore had, because of the collective responsibility of the cabinet, to bear the stigma of public accusations without knowing all the facts."

The report is the third—and expected to be the last—issued by the commission, which was set up last November by Mr. Botha to investigate the scandal which has been racking South Africa for more than a year.

The commission ranged widely in its latest investigations, sending lawyers overseas to examine information Department activities in its global propaganda war and studying bank accounts of principal figures in the scandal.

For the first time, it also went into allegations that South African Government money was used to buy into the UPIITN international news film agency and the Californian newspaper Sacramento Union in the United States, as well as in attempts to buy the Washington Star newspaper and a share of the British publishing company, Morgan Grampian.

The report repeated the commission's earlier clearance of Premier Botha and Finance Minister Lourens Muller.

## Libya, Malta relations show signs of strain

VALETTA, June 4 (R) — Signs of strain in relations between Malta and Libya over oil exploration have come out in a speech by Prime Minister Dom Mintoff.

Speaking at the annual general conference of the Malta Labour Party, Mr. Mintoff accused the Libyans of using a series of excuses not to settle a dispute over demarcation of the 200-mile stretch of the Mediterranean separating the two countries.

Malta wants the area to be divided equally for oil exploration rights, but the Libyans say that because they have the longer coastline they should have three-quarters of it.

They agreed at one time to take the dispute to the International Court of Justice, but the Libyans never ratified the agreement. Malta has since stopped all exploration in the disputed area.

Mr. Mintoff said the dispute did not mean that the Libyans should be considered Malta's enemies. Libya was still Malta's friend, he said.

Libya sells oil to Malta at below-market prices, but Mr. Mintoff said that Libya was not meeting Malta's increased needs for tourism, industry, shipbuilding and other activities. Additional supplies had to be found elsewhere.

Because of the median line dispute, the two countries had not signed an agreement under which Libya would help Malta's economy as a non-aligned country.

Malta has declared itself a non-aligned country no longer dependent on earnings from foreign bases. British bases, for which Malta was paid £14 million a year, were closed on March 31.

Mr. Mintoff believed that the four countries in his opinion "benefiting most from Maltese non-aligned should contribute towards its economy."

He said last year that Malta would need \$56 million a year for five years. Italy, France, Algeria and Libya were asked to contribute, but Mr. Mintoff said that only Algeria had signed an agreement.

Italy would have to improve its offer of a \$5 million grant, he said.

ter Owen Horwood from involvement in the scandal. It also exonerated Johannes Waldeck, an Information Department official whose retirement it said had been engineered because he was a restraining element.

In its first report last December, the Erasmus Commission said: "It must be stated clearly and unequivocally that Mr. Vorster's attitude and actions through all the activities involving irregularities were, in the commission's opinion, honest, bona fide and devoid of any trace of personal gain. In the commission's opinion his integrity is unblemished."

But the section on Mr. Vorster in the latest report said: "The commission's findings... stand amended in the light of the findings and conclusions in this chapter."

Mr. Vorster has already admitted publicly that he knew from August, 1977, about the now-disbanded Information Department's funding of the right-wing English-language newspaper, The Citizen, as a counter to the rest of the normally anti-government English press in South Africa. This project was code-named "Annetmarie" and was at the heart of the scandal.

The commission did not make any finding about how far back Mr. Vorster knew of the Citizen project, which was first discussed late in 1975, though it said there were indications he would have been told of its progress.

## Turkey to try over 800 in connection with sectarian riots

ANKARA, June 4 (R) — More than 800 Turks, including shopkeepers, teachers and housewives, face a military tribunal in Adana today on charges connected with bloody sectarian riots last December in Kahramanmaraş in which more than 100 people died.

Three hundred and thirty of the defendants, including ten women, could be hanged if convicted.

The three-day riots in Kahramanmaraş, 150 kilometres north-east of Adana, were mainly between Muslims of the Sunni and Alevis Shite faiths although they were largely politically-motivated.

Most Alevis tend towards the left while the Sunnis in Kahramanmaraş generally support Turkey's right-wing parties.

The fighting broke out after rightist Sunnis broke up a funeral cortege carrying the bodies of two murdered left-wing teachers last Dec. 22. Three days of sectarian riots followed. Most of the victims, including many women and children, were Alevis.

The violence led Social Democratic Premier Bulent Ecevit to impose martial law in 13 key provinces last Dec. 26. As political violence in Turkey, which has killed around 1,500 people since the start of 1978, continued, Mr. Ecevit extended martial law to a further six provinces last April.

Kahramanmaraş and Adana are in separate provinces but are both under one martial law commander. Holding the mass trials in Adana was clearly aimed at avoiding rekindling hostilities in the smaller town of Kahramanmaraş.

The 803 defendants face combinations of a total of 17 charges in a 240-page indictment worked out by six military prosecutors. The



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TOKYO — To be able to play where they want to, i.e. in the street, these children, from four to 13 years old, get up every Sunday at 5:30 a.m. and play their roller-skate hockey match without being disturbed. (Gamma photo)

## UNCTAD's final session fails to resolve outstanding questions

MANILA, June 4 (R) — Four weeks of grueling talks at the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD) opened amid high hopes of making progress on a new international economic order to aid the developing world.

But the conference closed with the world's rich and poor still divided over how to spread wealth

more quickly to the Third World.

"Naturally we are disappointed," said leading Third World spokesman Manuel Perez Guerrero of Venezuela when the conference broke up after a final all-night session which failed to resolve the outstanding questions.

"Apparently it was not possible to agree on the state of health of the world, except that it's bad," he said. "We could not agree on a diagnosis or a cure."

One weary European delegate said after the final session: "I think everyone was just too ambitious and the developing countries had trouble sorting out their priorities."

The final hours of the conference were devoted to trying to find agreement on the wording of a resolution analysing the world's economic and development problems and suggesting a plan of action for the next decade.

The major sticking point was the insistence by Western nations that the resolution should contain a reference of rising oil prices. Oil producers refused to discuss the issue, saying they were being singled out.

Although some Latin American countries also wanted to raise the energy issue, Third World unity prevailed on the understanding that developing countries would eventually discuss the problem among themselves.

Although the developing countries were frustrated by the conference's failure to produce agreement, Western delegates said Third World disappointments could nevertheless have an impor-

tant influence on discussions at the Tokyo summit of industrialised countries later this month.

The Western nations maintained there had been progress on ways to cut back trade protectionism and increase cooperation among the developing nations.

Disagreement over oil prices deadlocked much of the month-long conference. American sources said that at one stage, they had offered to trade off the energy issue if the Third World did not force a vote on a resolution directed against Israel, Rhodesia and South Africa.

The Americans said they had almost secured agreement on this, but said the African nations insisted that the resolution be put to a vote.

Since the "group of 77"—actually made up of 119 developing countries—controlled a majority of the votes, this resolution was approved over U.S. and European objections.

## Troops secure last corner of Uganda

ORABA, Northwest Uganda, June 4 (R) — Tanzanian and Ugandan government forces have rolled through Idi Amin's home village and reached the Sudanese border, securing the last remaining corner of Uganda for its new rulers.

Three Tanzanian tanks led an infantry battalion Saturday to within 200 yards of a small bridge marking the frontier. They met no

resistance from soldiers loyal to the ousted dictator, of whom there was no trace.

As the liberation forces reached the border they cheered and embraced one another, celebrating the end of a 1,600 kilometre trek across the country they entered last January.

On the other side of the border, Sudanese soldiers could be seen in trenches, weapons at the ready. The Tanzanians' waves and shouted greetings went unheeded.

Sudanese officials have been critical of the Tanzanian role in Uganda. President Jaafar Mohammed Nimeiri said recently that as a result of Amin's overthrow by Tanzania it was no longer safe to be a Muslim in Uganda.

When Tanzanian and Ugandan government forces approached Koboko, Amin's home village 25 kilometres south of the border, they found it totally devoid of life—except for one dog and one chicken. The entire population had apparently fled to Sudan or Zaire.

Peasants in nearby villages told Tanzanian forces that Amin's soldiers had warned the population that the Tanzanians were coming

prime minister said he was referring to Mr. Sithole and his party who signed the 1978 accord which led to mainly black rule.

The bishop warned that, if his government encountered organised sabotage, all available power would be used to eradicate it.

ZANU has refused to take up its 12 seats in parliament and two in cabinet because it alleges the UANC election victory was rigged. Since the vote it has been outspoken in its criticism of the new administration, saying it enjoys no support in the country.

ZANU First Vice President Leonard Nyemba recently told reporters the Muzorewa coalition was effectively run by former premier Ian Smith and other white hardliners. This echoed criticism by the foreign-based Patriotic Front guerrilla alliance, which argues that continued day-to-day white control of the security forces, judiciary and civil service mean the new government merely amounts in white rule with a black facade.

Mr. Nyemba called on all nationalists to "unite and do so quickly" against the Muzorewa government. His remarks raised speculation here that ZANU might try to align itself with the Patriotic Front of Zambia-based Joshua Nkomo and a Mozambique-based Robert Mugabe.

Meanwhile, the "frontline" states confronting Zimbabwe Rhodesia yesterday called for an international diplomatic boycott of Bishop Muzorewa's new administration, which they described as illegal and racist.

Foreign ministers or their representatives from the five states—Tanzania, Zambia, Angola, Botswana and Mozambique—were joined by Nigerian Foreign Minister Henry Adedope for the weekend conference in Dar es Salaam.

In a joint communique yesterday they said: "Rhodesia remains a racist colony under an illegal, racist minority and rebel regime."

Such action, they said, "would seriously jeopardise relations between those countries and independent African states."

Innocent people had been tortured and killed for supporting him, his party and the government of national unity, he stated.

"The agents of such senseless and wicked victimisation surprisingly have not been our obvious enemies, but those who subscribe to the March 3, 1978, agreement," he added.

The bishop named no one, but informed sources close to the

As the liberation forces moved north to Koboko, three of Amin's soldiers surrendered. They said they had been in a group of five who leaped from an army truck heading for Sudan. Their two companions had been shot and killed by other pro-Amin soldiers during the escape attempt.

The three soldiers said they had been told they were being taken to a camp in Sudan for military training in preparation for a return to fight against the new Ugandan government.

Thousands of Amin's soldiers, many of them originally recruited from southern Sudan, are believed to have fled across the Sudanese border.

Tanzanian Major General Silas Myunga shook hands with cheering soldiers at the frontier and announced: "We have taught Amin a lesson he will never forget."

As liberation forces arrived in Oraba, other units secured Yumbe and Moyo without having to fight—thus bringing the last remaining areas of Uganda under control of the new government.

## Spain: Woman killed in clash between police, anti-nuclear demonstrators

TUDELA, Spain, June 4 (R) — One woman was killed and several people injured during clashes between security forces and anti-nuclear demonstrators in this northern Spanish town.

A police spokesman said Venezuelan-born Ladi del Estal Terreno died accidentally yesterday when a young paramilitary civil guardman inadvertently fired his submachinegun while avoiding an attack by demonstrators.

Miss Del Estal Terreno, who was hit in the head, was pronounced dead on arrival at hospital.

After her death, demonstrators chanting "police assassins" clashed with police for more than three hours.

The local town council condemned "provocative and repressive action by the security forces" and also blamed the provincial governor general, calling for his resignation. It also called for a general strike in protest over the killing.

Demonstrators had blocked traffic by sitting across the town's main street in protest against earlier police action. Security forces

had broken up an anti-nuclear meeting with rubber bullets and smoke bombs.

As civil guardsmen approached the demonstrators to clear them from the main road, they were attacked by a number of youths, the police spokesman said. In the struggle, Miss Del Estal Terreno was hit by a single shot.

The rally was part of a country-wide protest at the construction of nuclear power stations in the northern Basque country. Demonstrations in other areas of Spain went off without incident.

## European parliament: Diversity is certain

By Peter Miller  
BRUSSELS — The only event in the world bringing together the son of an emperor, an Italian thriller writer and a Danish fisherman takes place this week. It is not a travelling circus or a new waxworks museum but the first direct elections to the European Parliament, which meets at Strasbourg and Luxembourg. Polling is from June 7-10.

Some 3,313 candidates from the nine Common Market (EEC) countries are standing for 410 seats in the assembly.

Almost half of them are standing in Italy and West Germany, which have 81 seats each, the same as Britain and France.

One of the most controversial Germans in Otto von Hapsburg, 66, the eldest son of the last Austro-Hungarian emperor, Karl I, who abdicated at the end of the First World War.

Born to inherit an empire stretching from the Black Sea to the Alps, it is hardly surprising that he considers himself standing for all Europe—up to the Russian border.

Mr. Von Hapsburg took West German citizenship a year ago, but retains Austrian nationality as well.

Despite criticism of his right-wing views from socialist Chan-

cellor Helmut Schmidt, as number three on the Bavarian Christian Social Union (CSU) list he is virtually certain to be elected. The electoral system used in most EEC countries guarantees election to the top members of major party lists.

But the conservative element in West German politics seems very keen on showing an aristocratic face to the voters.

The Christian Democrats in Lower Saxony are fielding Dr. Philipp von Bismarck, a descendant of the 19th century chancellor, and in Hessen their list includes prince Casimir von Wittgenstein, a relative of the philosopher Ludwig Wittgenstein.

But the best known West German candidate is former chancellor Willy Brandt, chairman of the Social Democrats (SPD), who resigned in 1974 following a spy scandal.

He tops the SPD list and is therefore certain of election.

The ecologists, known as the "Greens", are also making their mark, contesting all 78 seats. (Three members from West Berlin will be nominated, not elected.)

Their list includes Baldur Springmann, a health food farmer from Schleswig-Holstein on the

Danish border. Italy has more women standing for the elections than any other country.

Susanna Agnelli, sister of one of the country's leading industrialists, tops the Republican Party list in the north-east. The Communist boss Fabrizio Baduel Glorioso, first female chairman of the EEC's Economic and Social Committee.

Legislative power centre or poorly-attended haggling shop? The future of the European Parliament could all depend on the men and women elected to the assembly.

Maria Antonietta Macciocchi, standing for the economically-depressed south of Italy, is one of the country's leading left-wing historians, and is the author of a history of Italian communism.

Because the Italian electoral system allows candidates to stand in several areas, though they may be elected for only one, she follows Leonardo Sciascia at the top of the Radical's Venice lists as well.

Mr. Sciascia is a writer of a dif-

ferent kind whose readers were killed when the plot of one of his absorbing thrillers closely foreshadowed the events leading to the killing of former prime minister Aldo Moro last year.

Also certain to return to Strasbourg for the first session in July is Emilio Colombo, president of the newly-nominated parliament, who tops the southern Christian Democrat list.

Two strong contenders for the three seats are Protestant leader Ian Paisley and the equally vociferous John Hume of the Catholic-based Social Democratic and Labour Party.

Both have shown on visits to EEC centres in Brussels and Luxembourg that part of Europe is still plagued by passions that once tore the continent apart.

In the Irish Republic, five candidates are standing for Sinn Fein, the political wing of the Irish Republican Army (IRA), but they do not expect to win any seats.

The ruling Fianna Fail Party boasts one member of the old nominated European assembly from a distinguished literary family standing for the new parliament. He is Michael Yeats, son of the poet William Butler Yeats.

These men and women differ enormously on how they see the future of Europe, but whether the assembly becomes a poorly-attended haggling shop or a legislative power centre could depend on them.

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